इन परियोजनाओं को कोयला कंपनियों तथा ठेकेदारों के बीच नियमित समीक्षा बैठक के माध्यम से शीघ्र आरंभ किए जाने के प्रयास किए जाते हैं। कोयला कंपनियों को अपने संविदा प्रबंधन संगठन को मजबूत करने की सलाह दी गई है तथा विशेषकर, सामान्य तथा ठेका कार्य में परियोजना कार्यान्वयन क्रियाकलापों के निकट तथा प्रभावी प्रबोधन सुनिश्चित करने की सलाह दी गई है।

Shortage of coal in foundries

3077. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of coal used in foundries in Saurashtra and Kutch region of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(c) what action Government propose to take for restoring the regular supply of coal to this region?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) to (c) Coal India Limited have informed that to their knowledge there was no acute shortage of coal used in foundries in Saurashtra and Kutch regions of Gujarat.

Coal India Limited have despatched about 19110 tonnes of hard coke, used in foundries, to Saurashtra and Kutch during the year 1994-95 (upto February, 1995).

To supplement the despatches of hard coke from Coal India Limited, the foundries in Saurashtra and Kutch regions of Gujarat can also obtain hard coke from the integrated steel plants as well as private coke ovens. Hard coke can also be freely imported into the country.

Supply of Inferior Coal to Thermal Power Stations

3078. SHRI BHAKANKASINH MOHANSINH MANGROLA

SHRI AAS MOHAMMAD:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the bad quality of coal has been supplied to the factories and thermal power plants after the nationalisation of coal sector, from coal distribution centres;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the power production in Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat and Bihar has been adversely affected due to the bad quality of coal; and

(d) if so, what remedial steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) and (b) Generally the complaints regarding quality of coal being supplied to power houses and other consumers relate to the presence of extraneous material in coal as also supply of oversized coal. These complaints are examined on merit of each case and corrective action is taken to reduce the grievances of the consumers.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.